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39 people protesting low wages arrested at McDonald's

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Detroit Police Department made a mass arrest of 39 people who were protesting low wages outside of a west side McDonald's on Tuesday morning.

Some 200 protesters rallied outside of the McDonald's at Grand River and Schaefer, a protest that started at about 6 a.m.

But eventually their protest spilled out onto Grand River, said Officer Jennifer Moreno, a spokeswoman for the Detroit Police Department. That's when the 39 people were arrested and transported to the Detroit Detention Center. The whole thing lasted about an hour.

WWJ-AM reports some locked arms and sat in the middle of the roadway. The crowd chanted "We work, we sweat. Put 15 on our check."

The protest is part of a nationwide campaign for higher hourly wages, including for workers at airports and fast-food restaurants. The campaign has included several rounds of actions, including multiple Michigan protests, since the efforts began in 2012.

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